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TOWN OFFICERS, 1899.

SELECTMEN.

HENRY M. CURRIER, SHERMAN HOBBS,
WILLIAM G. BUTLER.

TOWN CLERK.

DANIEL P. ATWOOD.

TOWN TREASURER.

ENOCH M. MARSH.

MODERATOR.

GEO. S. BUTLER.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

GEO. H. CURRIER.

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LISTS.

FRANK M. WOODBURY, ISAAC C. MARSHALL,
EZEKIEL C. GAGE.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

W. H. PEABODY, O. W. SPAULDING.

CONSTABLES.

FRANK M. WOODBURY, DANIEL M. WEBSTER,
WILLIS H. ATWOOD, GEO. S. BUTLER.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

SHERMAN HOBBS, FRANK M. WOODBURY,
GEO. S. BUTLER.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES.

E. M. MARSH, D. M. WEBSTER,
GEO. H. CURRIER, GEO. S. BUTLER,
F. A. CUTTER, CHAS. W. HOBBS.

FISH AND GAME WARDENS.

GEO. S. BUTLER, FRANK WILKINS,
BERT G. WEBSTER, HENRY LEWIS,
HENRY S. RUSS, ALBION C. CHASE.

FENCE VIEWERS.

DANIEL N. ATWOOD,

CHAS. L. SEAVEY,

GEO. P. WOOD.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER.

GEO. S. BUTLER,

J. N. WOODMAN,

GEO. P. WOOD,

BERT G. WEBSTER,

CHAS. W. HOBBS,

FRANK H. HILLMAN,

THOMAS LEWIS,

W. G. BUTLER,

C. H. COLMAN,

ORLANDO WILSON,

CHAS. L. SEAVEY,

O. W. SPAULDING,

J. N. COLMAN,

GEO. H. CURRIER.

AUDITORS.

CHAS. W. HOBBS,

GEO. H. CURRIER,

D. M. WEBSTER.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS.

SCHOOL BOARD.

GEO. S. BUTLER,

*AUGUSTUS BERRY.

GAGE A. FOX.

CLERK.

DANIEL P. ATWOOD.

TREASURER.

GEO. S. BUTLER.

AUDITORS.

GEORGE H. CURRIER,

FRANK M. WOODBURY,

CHAS. W. HOBBS.

MODERATOR.

CHAS. W. HOBBS.

*Deceased.

TOWN WARRANT.

{ L. S. } THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Pelham in the County of Hillsboro in said State, Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Pelham, on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of March next, at one of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects :

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see what disposition the Town will make of the literary fund for the ensuing year.
4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the dog fund for the ensuing year.
5. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for school purposes for the ensuing year.
6. To choose one person for Trustee of Public Library for three years.
7. To choose two persons for Trustees of Cemeteries for three years.

8. To see how much money, if any, the Town will vote to raise for the Public Library for the year ensuing, in addition to the amount required by law.

9. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for cemeteries for the year ensuing.

10. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise to pay on the town debt for the year ensuing.

11. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for the repair of highways for the year ensuing.

12. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for the observance of Memorial Day.

13. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of two per cent. on taxes on 1900 list that are paid before Sept. 1st, 1900.

14. To see if the Town will vote to accept and care for the cemetery in the north part of the town.

15. To see if the Town will vote to accept and adopt Chapter 29 of the pamphlet laws of 1899, the same being an act in amendment of and in addition to Chapter 73 of the Public Statutes, relating to the repairs of highways in towns.

16. To transact any further business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-fourth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred.

HENRY M. CURRIER,
SHERMAN HOBBS,
WILLIAM G. BUTLER,

Selectmen of Pelham.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF PELHAM, TAKEN APRIL 1st, 1899.

Real estate, resident valuation.....	\$277,330 00
non-resident valuation.....	99,916 00
Number of polls, 217.....	21,700 00
horses, 332.....	14,128 00
cows, 901.....	23,480 00
neat stock, 109.....	1,934 50
sheep, 14.....	56 00
hogs, 8.....	50 00
fowls, 1000.....	500 00
carriages, 14.....	805 00
Stock in banks and other corporations in this state...	3,000 00
Money at interest.....	17,400 00
Stock in trade.....	8,024 50
Mills and machinery.....	7,700 00
Total.....	\$476,024 00

TAXES ASSESSED IN 1899.

State tax.....	\$845 75
For town charges.....	354 25
County tax.....	1,100 45
For schools, amount required by law.....	995 00
voted by town.....	400 00
supplies and text books.....	70 00
For public library.....	100 00
For highways.....	1,500 00
To pay town debt.....	300 00
Interest on town debt.....	167 00
For snow rollers.....	150 00
Overlay.....	205 38

\$6,187 83

TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR.

Resident tax.....	\$4,884 60
Non-resident tax.	1,305 83
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	\$6,190 43

Rate of taxation for 1899, \$13.00 per \$1,000.

PAY OF TOWN OFFICERS.**SELECTMEN.**

Paid Chas. L. Seavey, year ending March, 1899.....	\$75 00
Henry M. Currier, " "	50 00
Forest E. Kelly, " "	11 50
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	136 50

TOWN TREASURER.

Paid Enoch M. Marsh, year ending March, 1899....	40 00
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TOWN CLERK.

Paid Daniel P. Atwood, year ending March, 1899...	40 00
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SCHOOL BOARD.

Paid Augustus Berry, for year ending March, 1899..	40 00
Geo. S. Butler, for member of school board and school district treasurer for year ending March, 1899.....	25 00
Gage A. Fox, for two years ending March, 1900,	20 00
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	85 00

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid Samuel Kelly, for two years, 1897-'98.....	5 00
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TAX COLLECTOR.

Paid Geo. H. Currier, for year ending March, 1899..	85 00
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SEXTON.

Paid Kimball J. Chaplin, for 4 burials for year ending Feb. 15th, 1900.....	\$14 00
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MEMORIAL DAY FUND.

Amount of appropriation unexpended Feb. 15, 1899..	\$28 88
Paid for fife and drum.....	\$4 50
for flags.....	2 50
music bought.....	5 23
Harry H. Atwood, for opening and cleaning church.....	1 00
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Balance of Memorial Day appropriation on hand Feb. 15th, 1900... ..	15 65

SCHOOL MONEY.

Balance of 1898 appropriation in treasury.....	\$470 00
Literary fund of 1898.....	88 20
Dog fund of 1898.....	190 00
Amount required by law.....	995 00
voted by town.....	400 00
voted by town for text books.....	70 00
	<hr/> 2,213 20
Paid Geo. S. Butler, school district treas- urer, balance of 1898 appropria- tion.....	\$470 00
dog fund, 1898	190 00
literary fund, 1898.....	88 20
part of 1899 appropriation.....	821 80
appropriation for text books.....	70 00
	<hr/> 1,640 00
Leaving balance of school money in town treasury Feb. 15, 1900.....	573 20

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Paid Frank M. Woodbury, treasurer, 1899 appropriation.....	\$100 00
Chas. W. Hobbs, care of library to Feb. 15, 1900	52 00
Chas. W. Hobbs, window brush.....	50
Chas. W. Hobbs, window glass.....	1 25
Chas. W. Hobbs, labor on window.....	50
F. M. Woodbury, oil, chimneys, shovel, etc....	5 31
W. E. Livingston, 3 tons coal.....	15 60
Geo. S. Butler, cartage on 3 tons coal.....	3 75
Geo. S. Butler, insurance on library to Oct. 1st, 1900.....	35 00
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	213 91

ABATEMENT OF 1898 TAXES.

Paid Geo. H. Currier, collector, abatements as follows :

— Dancereau.....	\$1 89
Joseph Greenwood.....	1 22
Joseph H. Donovan.....	1 22
Archie Mathews	1 22
Abram Newell.....	1 22
Nelson Proctor.....	1 22
Peter Pelrine.....	1 22
Geo. N. Roberts	1 22
Lucius D. Reynolds.....	1 32
Albert St. Lawrence	1 71
Geo. Witham.....	1 22
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	14 58

ABATEMENTS ON 1899 TAX LIST.

Paid Warren Sherburne, heirs of.....	\$26 00
Samuel Kelley, executor C. Boardman.	7 80
Frank A. Hale.....	6 50
Geo. H. Currier, discount on taxes paid before Sept. 1st.....	55 48
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	95 78

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid Central Savings Bank interest to Nov. 22, 1899,	\$115 34
Chas. W. Hobbs, interest on \$300 note to Feb. 15th, 1900.....	15 00
Central Savings Bank, amount voted to be paid on town debt.....	300 00
Chas. L. Seavey, guardian T. O. Richardson, interest on note of \$250, to Feb. 15th, 1900,	10 00
Chas. L. Seavey, temporary loan and interest...	507 71
Sherman Hobbs, temporary loan and interest...	513 68
Geo. H. Currier, treasurer cemeteries' trustees, interest on the several notes of trust funds..	18 00
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	1479 73

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS. COUNTY AID.

Paid James A. Foster, groceries, etc., furnished Mark W. Simpson, from Feb. 1st, 1899 to Jan. 1st, 1900.....	69 05
Chas. W. Hobbs, rent of Berlanda Stratton place, from Feb. 1st, 1899 to Feb. 1st, 1900,	36 00
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	105 05

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Daniel P. Atwood, stationery and postage.....	\$1 00
D. P. Atwood, recording births, deaths and marriages	4 65
F. M. Woodbury, printing check-lists, 1898....	7 00
Morning Mail Co., printing town reports	46 20
J. N. Colman & Son, 2 snow rollers.....	140 00
Geo. H. Currier, tax bills and postage, 1898....	5 79
P. J. Cogger, public watering trough.....	3 00
A. D. Corliss, public watering place.....	3 00
Chas. W. Hobbs, surveying road near Felix Alberts	3 00
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<i>Amount carried forward.....</i>	\$213 64

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$213 64
Paid W. H. Peabody, keeping two tramps.....	1 50
Dr. Edward Hyde, returning births and deaths from Jan 1st, 1896, to Jan. 1st, 1900.....	14 75
J. N. Colman & Son, repairs on road machine..	1 90
Henry M. Currier, expenses to Nashua.....	85
Henry M. Currier, tax collector's books for 1899 and 1900.....	4 29
Henry M. Currier, postage and stationery.....	75
Henry M. Currier, expenses to Concord and Manchester.....	2 90
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	240 58

TOWN HALL.

Paid Moses Raymond, opening hall 25 times.....	\$12 10
sawdust	50
cleaning hall	50
O. W. Spaulding, 2 cords wood.....	5 00
F. M. Woodbury, sundries for hall.....	8 85
Geo. S. Butler, insurance 1 year to February, 1901.....	15 00
Geo. S. Butler, 2 cords wood.....	6 00
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	47 95
Received of Moses Raymond for use of town hall to Feb. 15th, 1900.....	35 50
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Running expenses of town hall for 1898 exceeds in- come.....	12 45

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Paid state treasurer, state tax.....	\$845 75
county treasurer, county tax.....	1,100 45
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	1,946 20

REPORT OF W. H. PEABODY, ROAD COMMISSIONER.

MARCH 1st to JUNE 1st, 1899.

Paid W. H. Peabody, labor	18 days 9 hours..	\$37 80
man labor	24 " 8 " ..	37 20
team labor	12 " 3½ " ..	24 70
team labor, R. M.	8 " ..	20 00
A. J. Richardson, man labor	2 " ..	30
Willis Hobbs, man labor	10 " ..	15 00
team labor, R. M.	8 " ..	20 00
team labor	2 " ..	4 00
J. Greenwood, man labor	15 " 5 " ..	23 25
W. J. Livingston, man labor	8 " ..	12 00
F. M. Carleton, man labor	3 " 5 " ..	5 25
boy labor	2 " ..	2 40
team labor	3 " 5 " ..	7 00
Jason Worcester, man labor	1 " 4 " ..	2 10
team labor	1 " 4 " ..	2 80
A. R. Hobbs, man labor	2 " ..	3 00
team labor	2 " ..	4 00
David Hubley, man labor	2 " ..	3 00
team labor	2 " ..	4 00
Geo. H. Currier, man labor	4 " ..	6 00
team labor	2 " ..	4 00
W. F. Richardson, man labor	2 " ..	3 00
team labor	2 " ..	4 00
Geo. P. Wood, man labor	2 " ..	3 00
team labor	2 " ..	4 00
F. L. Peabody, man labor	2 " ..	3 00
team labor	2 " ..	4 00
Clough Bros., man labor	2 " ..	3 00
team labor	2 " ..	4 00
Geo. Kent, man labor	2 " ..	3 00
D. M. Webster, man labor	2 " ..	3 00
team labor	2 " ..	4 00
Chas. Colburn, man labor	2 " 3 " ..	3 45
team labor	2 " 3 " ..	4 60
Gendreau, man labor	1 " ..	1 50
gravel	36 loads ..	1 80
Road Machine repairs.....		15

JUNE 1st to DEC. 1st, 1899.

Paid W. H. Peabody, labor	25 days 9 hours..	51 80
man labor	28 " 2 " ..	42 30
team labor	18 " 8½ " ..	37 70
Chas. Colburn, man labor	4 " 1 " ..	6 15
team labor	4 " 1 " ..	8 20
J. Greenwood, man labor	19 " ..	28 50
W. J. Livingston, man labor	4 " 7 " ..	7 05
E. C. Gage, man labor	1 " ..	1 50
team labor	1 " ..	2 00
Gendreau, man labor	1 " ..	1 50
D. M. Webster, man labor	1 " 5 " ..	2 25
team labor	1 " 5 " ..	3 00
Geo. H. Currier, man labor	9 " 3 " ..	13 95
team labor	5 " 5 " ..	11 00
H. Lewis, man labor	2 " 5½ " ..	3 83
F. L. Peabody, man labor	2 " ..	3 00
team labor	2 " ..	4 00
Willis Hobbs, man labor	1 " ..	1 50
team labor	1 " ..	2 00
J. Worcester, man labor	1 " 8 " ..	2 70
team labor	1 " 8 " ..	3 60
Geo. Kent, man labor	4 " 3 " ..	6 45
A. R. Hobbs, man labor	3 " 6 " ..	5 40
team labor	3 " 6 " ..	7 20
Chas. Scott, man labor	1 " 8 " ..	2 70
Clough Bros., man labor	2 " 7 " ..	4 05
team labor	2 " 7 " ..	5 40
D. E. Hubley, man labor	2 " 7 " ..	4 05
team labor	2 " 7 " ..	5 40
F. M. Carlton, man labor	2 " 7 " ..	4 05
team labor	2 " 7 " ..	5 40
Arthur Richardson, man labor	1 " 3 " ..	1 95
Ed. Young, man labor	16 " 7 " ..	25 05
team labor	3 " 4 " ..	7 40
Jas. Hobbs, man labor	1 " 9 " ..	2 85
Reisman, man labor	2 " ..	3 00
Harris Bros., gravel	62 loads.....	3 10

Amount carried forward..... \$330 98

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$330 98
Paid Ed. Titcomb, gravel 27 loads.....	1 35
W. F. Richardson, gravel 20 ".....	1 00
D. M. Gould, gravel 20 ".....	1 00
W. H. Peabody, spikes 30 lbs.....	1 20
J. N. Colman & Son, bridge plank, 1710 ft. at \$14 per M.....	23 94
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	359 47
March 1st to June 1st.....	\$287 30
June 1st to Dec. 1st.....	359 47
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	646 77

SNOW BILLS FOR 1899—FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

MARCH.

Paid Edward Young, man labor 3 days 6 hours..	5 40
team labor 1 " 2 " ..	2 40
W. H. Atwood, man labor 1 " 4 " ..	2 10
O. A. Gage, man labor ..	8 " ..1 20
F. L. Peabody, man labor 5 " 5 " ..	8 25
team labor 2 " 3 " ..	4 60
Sherman Hobbs, man labor 6 " ..	90
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	24 85
Total amount paid W. H. Peabody, east side.....	671 62
Amount appropriated for east side, 1899.....	750 00
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Amount of 1899 appropriation for east side not expended	78 38

REPORT OF O. W. SPAULDING, ROAD COMMISSIONER

APRIL.

Paid O. W. Spaulding, labor	8½ days	..	\$17 00
man labor	18 "	..	27 00
boy labor	5 "	..	5 00
team labor, R. M.	10 "	..	25 00
team labor	5 "	..	10 00
Albert Searles, man labor	4 "	..	6 00
Joshua Searles, man labor	3 "	..	4 50
Robert Dean, man labor	3 "	..	4 50
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			99 00

MAY.

Paid O. W. Spaulding, labor	15½ days	..	\$31 00
man labor	35½ "	..	53 25
team labor	28 "	..	56 00
team labor, R. M.	6 "	..	15 00
boy labor	7 "	..	7 00
Albert Searles, man labor	14 "	..	21 00
Robert Dean, man labor	14 "	..	21 00
W. Keyes, man labor	6 " 9 hours	..	10 35
F. Lord, man labor	1 " 8 "	..	2 70
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			217 30

JUNE.

Paid O. W. Spaulding, labor	4 days	..	\$8 00
man labor	11 "	..	16 50
team labor	4 "	..	8 00
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			32 50

AUGUST.

Paid O. W. Spaulding, labor	3½ days	..	\$7 00
team labor	2½ "	..	5 00
man labor	10 "	..	15 00
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			27 00

SEPTEMBER.

Paid O. W. Spaulding, labor	12 days	..	\$24 00
man labor	24 "	..	36 00
team labor	19 "	..	38 00
Albert Searles, man labor	8 "	..	12 00
Robert Dean, man labor	9½ "	..	14 25
Gilbert Searles, man labor,	5½ "	..	5 50
Joseph Hamblett, man labor	2½ "	..	3 50
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			133 25

OCTOBER.

Paid O. W. Spaulding, labor	10¼ days	..	\$19 50
man labor	20½ "	..	30 75
team labor	13 "	..	26 00
Albert Searles, labor	6 "	..	9 00
Robert Dean, labor	11½ "	..	17 25
Gilbert Searles, labor	3 "	..	3 00
Joseph Hamblett, labor	6½ "	..	9 75
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			115 25

Paid J. N. Colman & Son, bridge plank, etc.			\$25 68
J. C. Whitehouse, gravel, 51 loads			2 55
Orton Moore, gravel, 151 loads			7 55
spikes for bridges			2 20
powder			50
M. L. Jones, man labor	2 days	..	3 00
team labor	2 "	..	4 00
Will Smith, man labor	2 "	..	3 00
team labor	2 "	..	4 00
Willis Pearsons, man labor	1 "	..	1 50
team labor	1 "	..	2 00
Repairs on Road Machine.....			2 00
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SNOW BILLS FOR 1899.

FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

Paid O. W. Spaulding labor	2 days, $6\frac{1}{2}$ hours..	\$5 30
man labor	6 " $8\frac{1}{2}$ " ..	10 27
team labor	5 " $5\frac{1}{2}$ " ..	11 10
Albert Searles, man labor	$2\frac{1}{2}$ " ..	3 75
Albert Searles, 2nd, man labor	$2\frac{1}{2}$ " ..	3 75
W. G. Sherburne, man labor	3 " 1 " ..	4 65
team labor	3 " ..	6 00
Joseph Hamblett, man labor	$\frac{1}{2}$ " ..	75

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Total amount paid O. W. Spaulding, west side..... \$727 85

Amount appropriated for west side, 1899..... 750 00

 Amount of 1899 appropriation for west side not expended 22 15

RECAPITULATION.

Paid town officers.....	\$405 50
memorial day.....	13 23
school money.....	1,640 00
library.....	213 91
abatement of taxes and discount.....	110 36
notes and interest.....	1,479 73
dependent soldiers.....	105 05
miscellaneous.....	240 58
town hall.....	47 95
state and county taxes.....	1,946 20
road commissioners.....	1,399 47

 7,601 98

FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN FEB. 15, 1900.

LIABILITIES.

Due Central Savings Bank, note.....	\$2,800 00
Chas. W. Hobbs, note.....	300 00
C. L. Seavey, guardian of T. O. Richardson, note	250 00
cemetery trustees, notes.....	525 00
school appropriation unexpended.....	573 20
estimated outstanding bills	400 00
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	\$4,848 20
Cash in treasury.....	\$798 07
due from collector.....	359 94
due from county, acct. M. W. Simp- son.....	36 00
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	\$1,194 01
Town's indebtedness Feb. 15, 1900.....	<hr/>
	\$3,654 19
Town's indebtedness Feb. 15, 1899.....	4,127 85
Town debt decreased in 1899.....	473 66

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY M. CURRIER,
SHERMAN HOBBS,
WILLIAM G. BUTLER,

Selectmen of Pelham.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The town treasurer respectfully submits the following report for the year ending Feb. 15th, 1900 :

DR.

To cash in treasury Feb. 15th, 1899.....	\$474 79
Received of cemetery trustees, "Spear fund".....	150 00
Moses Raymond, use of town hall.....	35 50
Miss Howe, for stone from pound.....	5 00
D. P. Atwood, dog licenses for 1899.....	140 55
county commissioners, for relief of depend- ent soldiers.....	69 05
C. L. Seavey, temporary loan.....	500 00
Sherman Hobbs, temporary loan.....	500 00
state treasurer, railroad tax.....	142 02
state treasurer, savings bank tax.....	188 47
state treasurer, literary fund.....	71 82
G. H. Currier, balance of tax of 1898.....	292 36
G. H. Currier, tax of 1899.....	5,830 49
Total	<hr/> 8,400 05*

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By cash paid on sundry orders issued by the selectmen,	\$7,601 98
Leaving amount of cash in treasury Feb. 15th, 1900, in- cluding \$140.55 dog fund and \$71.82 literary fund,	<hr/> 798 07

ENOCH M. MARSH,

Town Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

We, the undersigned, auditors of the Town of Pelham for the year ending Feb. 15th, 1900, have examined the books of the selectmen and treasurer and find the selectmen have issued orders on the treasurer to the amount of \$7,601.98 and that said orders are properly receipted. We also find that the treasurer has received \$8,400.05, and has paid the orders above-mentioned leaving a balance in the treasury Feb. 15, 1900, of \$798.07.

GEORGE H. CURRIER,
DANIEL M. WEBSTER,
CHARLES W. HOBBS,

Auditors.

VITAL STATISTICS.

In compliance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire, I respectfully submit the following :

Marriages Registered in the Town of Pelham for the Year ending December 31, 1899.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years.	Color.	Occupation of each.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	1st, 2nd or 3rd Marriage.	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom married.
Feb. 22	Pelham.....	Harry H. Atwood	Pelham.....	21	All White.	Clerk.....	Pelham.....	Daniel N. Atwood. Ella F. Sleeper.....	Pelham..... Lowell, Mass.....	1st	Augustus Berry. Clergyman, Pelham.
		Carrie M. Stickney	Pelham.....	19		Housek'p'r	Pelham...	Frank Stickney..... Serena S. Batchelder	Pelham.....	1st	
Apr. 26	Windham.....	Sherman Hobbs...	Pelham.....	34		Farmer....	Pelham.....	Alpheus G. Hobbs. Helen M. Simpson.....	Pelham..... Windham.....	1st	Augustus Berry. Clergyman, Pelham.
		Idlegertie Prescott	Windham.....	23		At home...	Windham.....	Samuel L. Prescott. Ella A. Emerson.....	Medford, Mass..... Windham.....	1st	
June 6	Pelham.....	George F. Wiggin	Boston, Mass.	28		Motorman.	Moultonborough.....	James Wiggins..... Sarah Moulton.....	..... .....	1st	Augustus Berry. Clergyman, Pelham.
		Agnes S. Emery...	Pelham...	30		Housek'p'r	Newfield, Me.....	Eliza M. Emery..... Glimore Emery.....	..... .....	1st	
July 6	Nashua.....	Frank Duffen.....	Pelham.....	21		Milkman..	Lawrence, Mass.	John T. Duffen..... Sarah E. Lockwood.....	Lawrence, Ms. Lawrence, Ms.	1st	Francis A. Gray. Clergyman, Nashua.
		Minnie F. Bodwell	Pelham.....	18		Housek'p'r	Methuen, Mass.	Frank Bodwell..... Susan.....	..... .....	1st	
July 25	Pelham.....	Samuel B. Bennett	Methuen, Ms.	68		Farmer....	Nova Scotia.....	Eliah Bennett..... Sarah J. Martin.....	..... .....	3rd	Augustus Berry. Clergyman, Pelham.
		Ann Garner.....	Methuen, Ms.	48		Housek'p'r	Dover.....	James J. Dow..... Frederic A. Cutler.....	..... Pelham.....	2nd	
Oct. 25	Tewksb'y, Ms.	Benj. F. Cutler...	Pelham.....	25	All White.	Milkman..	Pelham.....	Susan M. Hardy..... Lorenzo Fuller.....	Hudson..... Hudson.....	1st	H. W. O. Millington, Clergyman, Lowell.
		Ellen C. Fuller	Tewksb'y, Ms.	25		Milliner...	Hudson.....	Carrie Trull.....	Tewksbury....	1st	

Births Registered in the Town of Pelham, for the Year ending December 31, 1899.

Name of Child.	Date of Birth.	Living or Still-born.	Sex.	Color.	Number of Births.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
Estelle Moulton	Jan. 15	L	F	All White.	2	Lynn D. Moulton	May Proper	All White.	Manchester	Farmer	Jericho, Vt.	Waterville
Victor Clair Fox	Jan. 21	M	F		1	George A. Fox	Barbara L. Barrett		Pelham	Farmer	Dracut, Mass.	Nova Scotia
Florence Smith	Jan. 23	M	F		2	Jerry Smith	Grace J. Simpson		Pelham	Farmer	Franklin	Boston, Mass.
Johnston	Feb. 16	S	M		6	John F. Johnston	Sarah Murray		Pelham	Farmer	Sebec, Maine	Bridgewater, Mass.
Clarence W. Richardson	Apr. 27	L	F		2	Alb. W. Richardson	Edith A. Wright		Pelham	Farmer	Dracut, Mass.	Westford, Mass.
Leona B. Greenwood	Apr. 27	F	F		7	Peter Greenwood	Victoria Bussiere		Pelham	Stone Cut'r	Lowell, Mass.	Canada
Dierig	May 16	F	F		1	Emil A. Dierig	Frima M. Stiehler		Pelham	Farmer	Germany	Germany
Francis J. Ducharme	May 26	M	M		3	Alfred Ducharme	Josephine Eno		Pelham	Blacksmith	Canada	Canada
Hamblett	May 16	M	M		2	Joseph M. Hamblett	Hattie Sawyer		Lowell, Mass.	Farmer	Methuen, Mass.	Nashua
Lewis	June 22	M	M		2	Harry E. Lewis	Annie Welch		Lowell, Mass.	Farmer	Canada	Ireland
Harold F. Coburn	July 4	F	F		11	James W. Coburn	Mabel E. Smith		Pelham	Farmer	Chelmsford, Mass.	Nashua
Annie M. Greenwood	July 22	F	F		4	Joseph Greenwood	Mary Bussiere		Pelham	Farmer	Canada	Canada
Webster	Aug. 12	F	F		1	Frank P. Webster	Grace A. Hall		Pelham	Farmer	Warner	Tyngsboro', Mass.
Amie T. Doherty	Aug. 15	F	F		4	John Doherty	Mary Green		Pelham	Farmer	Rutland, Vt.	Ireland
Henderson	Sept. 29	M	F		3	Wm. H. Henderson	Ella W. Halibuton		Pelham	Farmer	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia
Mabel F. Whitman	Oct. 8	M	F		1	James M. Whitman	Mattie J. Ferguson		Pelham	Farmer	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia
Daniel Stickney Atwood	Oct. 22	M	M		1	Harry H. Atwood	Carlie M. Stickney		Pelham	Clerk	Pelham	Pelham
John M. Livingstone	Dec. 8	M	M		3	Wm. J. Livingstone	Sarah M. Ferguson		Pelham	Farmer	Lawrence, Mass.	Nova Scotia

Deaths Registered in the Town of Pelham for the year ending Dec. 31, 1899.

Name of Deceased	Date of Death	Sex	Color	Single, Married or Widowed.	Age.	Occupation	Place of Birth.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Disease or Cause of Death.
John Tarbox.....	Jan. 23.	M		S	86	Farmer.....	Pelham.....	Chelms'd, Ms.	Andover, Ms.	Simeon Farmer.....	Mary Noyes.....	Shock, accident.
Jeremiah Farmer.....	Jan. 29	M		M	82	Farmer.....	Pelham.....			Isaac J. Ham.....	Hannah Foss.....	Bronchial Pneu.
George W. Ham.....	Feb. 22	M		W	79	Farmer.....	Epsom.....	Concord, Mass	Concord, Ms.	Isaac J. Ham.....	Hannah Foss.....	Typhoid fever
Ann E. Farmer.....	Mar. 17	F		W	69	Housekeeper	Concord, Mass	Concord, Ms.	Concord, Ms.	Isaac J. Ham.....	Elizabeth Flint.....	Chronic Bron
Bertha Morin.....	July 28	F		S	74	Clergyman.....	Lowell, Mass.	Canada	Canada.....	Alexis Morin.....	Belcina Desrosier	Cholera Infant.
Augustus Berry.....	Oct. 4	M		M	74	Clergyman.....	Concord.....	Middleton, Ms.	Salem, Mass.	Washington Berry	Maria Dale.....	Dilation of heart

The following persons were brought to this Town for Burial during the year.

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer of the Trustees of the cemeteries respectfully submits the following report for the year ending February 15, 1900.

DR.

	To cash in the Treasury Feb. 15, 1899.....	\$ 99 58
Nov. 27.	To cash received of Joseph Farmer for one lot in Gibson Addition.....	2 00
1900		
Jan. 17.	To cash received of Mrs. Amanda Titcomb of Haverhill for one lot in Gibson Addition....	15 00
Jan. 24.	To cash received of Moses Raymond for one lot in Gibson Addition.....	2 00
	Total	<hr/> \$118 58

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April 26.	By cash paid Geo. S. Butler for digging and teaming 65 rock maple trees....	6 80
" 28.	To labor setting out trees.....	3 00
May 11.	To hay for mulching trees.....	5 00
	To labor with two men.....	3 00
	To one load of dressing.....	1 00
Aug.	To seven days labor cutting clearing and burning bushes in Gumpus Cemetery	10 50
Oct. 11.	To 2 $\frac{3}{16}$ days labor.....	3 45
	<i>Amount carried forward</i>	<hr/> \$32 75

Amount brought forward \$32 75

	To nine hours team labor.....	1 80
	To dynamite fuse and caps.....	50
Oct. 12.	To one day and 8 hours labor.....	2 70
	To nine hours team labor.....	1 80
" 13.	To one day and eight hours labor.....	2 70
	To nine hours team labor.....	1 80
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		\$43 25

April 1.	To cash paid Dumas & Co. for cemetery certificate book.....	6 50
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June	To cash paid Geo. H. Currier for one days labor for man.....	1 50
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	To cash paid for record book.....	87
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June 1.	To cash paid Daniel M. Webster for setting grave stones and gate posts..	2 00
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Oct. 14.	To 6½ days work on cemetery road at \$1.50	9 30
	To 6½ days labor man and team at \$3.50	21 70

1900

Jan. 15.	To 1½ days labor man and team at \$3.50	5 25
	To 1½ days labor at \$1.50.....	2 25
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		\$40 50

Feb. 15.	To cash paid Kimball J. Chaplin for one stone socket.....	1 00
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	To cash paid Angeline Kent for one lot in Centre Cemetery.....	1 00
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		\$ 94 62

Leaving amount of cash in the treasury Feb. 15,		
1900.....		\$ 23 96

TRUST FUNDS.

Aug. 15, 1899. Received from the estate of Betsey G. Spear one hundred and fifty dollars to be known as the Spear Fund and have loaned it to the Town taking their note at 4 per cent. interest.

The following is a list of the several funds with the amount of fund, also the amount unexpended.

The Barker Fund, \$100.00, amount unexpended.....	\$3 00
Skinner " \$50.00, " "	4 00
Jackson for care of Carr lot, \$50.00 amount unexpended	3 25
*Gorrell Fund, \$50 00, amount unexpended.....	2 62
Seavey " \$100.00, " "	5 83
Spear " \$150.00, " "	3 00
*Gage " 25 00, amt. expended more than rec'd..	3 4½

* The Gorrell Fund was originally \$100 and the Gage Fund was originally \$50 but through the suspension of Nashua Bank are now Gorrell \$50 Gage \$25.

GEO. H. CURRIER,

Treasurer of Cemeteries Trustees.

REPORT
OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD
OF THE
TOWN OF PELHAM, N. H.,
FOR
THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1900.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS.

SCHOOL BOARD.

GAGE A. FOX Term expires March, 1900
AUGUSTUS BERRY.*
GEO. S. BUTLER Term expires March, 1902

CLERK.

DANIEL P. ATWOOD.

TREASURER.

GEO. S. BUTLER.

AUDITORS.

GEO. H. CURRIER. FRANK M. WOODBURY. CHAS. W. HOBBS.

MODERATOR.

CHARLES W. HOBBS.

TEACHERS.

No. 1. MARY EDNA BUSWELL. Spring.
 EMOGENE BURRILLE. Fall and Winter.
No. 2. ALICE GRAY. Year.
No. 3. ETHEL MAE CHASE. Year.
No. 4. E. FRANCES WOODMAN. Year.
No. 5. JULIA A. BIXBY. Year.

*Deceased.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Pelham, qualified to vote in District Affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House, in said district, on the 20th day of March, 1900, at Two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects :

- 1st. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
- 2nd. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
- 3rd. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- 4th. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
- 5th. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing year.
- 6th. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or Officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- 7th. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subjects embraced in this Warrant.
- 8th. To see how much money this District will raise and appropriate for the support of Schools, in addition to that required by law.
- 9th. To see how much money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for text books and School Supplies for the ensuing year.
- 10th. To see how much money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of School Houses for the ensuing year.
- 11th. To transact any other business that may legally and properly be brought before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Pelham, this Third day of March, 1900.

GAGE A. FOX,

GEORGE S. BUTLER,

School Board.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

TOWN OF PELHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 1, 1900.

The time has arrived when it again becomes necessary for the School Board, in compliance with the statutes of the state, to report the condition of the public schools. At the commencement of the school year it was little thought that the duties of making out the annual report of the condition of the public schools of this town would devolve upon other than the superintendent elected at the commencement of the year. But the ways of an over-ruling Providence have otherwise ordered. In the loss of Rev. Augustus Berry the public have lost one who always at all times had the best interests and welfare of all the children who attended, and who were under his supervision. It is but just to say that his place will be hard to fill, and the suggestions and methods which he embodied in former school reports will always be good for reference in the coming years.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

Our school houses are all in fairly good repair. No. 2 has been reshippled the past year, with no especial

appropriation, the Board considering that five per cent. of the school money would be sufficient for repairs the past year. The coming year it will be necessary to reshingle the house at School No. 5, and also make some repairs on the piazza of the same house. The houses at Schools Nos. 1 and 3 should have a coat of paint; it would be economy to paint them before another year.

THE PAST YEAR.

We have had thirty-three weeks of school, divided into three terms of equal length. In our judgment this is the right number of weeks to have in a school year. The estimate of the work for the past year is, that it has been a successful and prosperous year. Good work has been accomplished and we thank the teachers for their labors; they have been diligent and untiring in their efforts. Good progress has been made in all the studies undertaken, and the teachers without any exception have been fully alive to their duties. The want of sufficient volume of voice on the part of the scholars was a prominent failing in one or two of the schools at the closing exercises—answers from a large proportion of the pupils were so low as not to be audible across the school room. This we trust will be remedied in the future, as we have every reason to believe that these children can speak up when occasion requires.

The attendance of the scholars has not perhaps been quite so good the past year as in some previous years.

This is to be regretted. When a scholar is absent, if only for a half day or a day, it makes a break in the class and in the lessons. I fully agree with our late superintendent, who in his last report said, that when a pupil had been absent, that on his return the teacher should insist upon his making up the lessons that he had lost; of course, if sickness is the cause there is some excuse for the scholar. In School No. 1, the Spring term was abbreviated about ten days on account of so many pupils being sick, and the same school suffered to some extent the last term on account of a throat epidemic.

What we want in our schools is to have our children's mind increase in strength, and have them come in contact with that which is good and true. In short, we desire them to become true men and women. And the greatest power to accomplish this outside the home is the teacher. Children absorb that which they hear and see, as a sponge does water, hence the importance of hearing nothing but the best language and seeing nothing but the most courteous actions. Let us visit the schools during the term and see for ourselves if our children are getting all out of the schools that they can, and by so doing encourage the teacher and pupils in their labors.

The amount expended for school supplies is about double that of the previous year. The reason of this was that several new books of reference have been purchased, and a large number of the old text books were so badly worn that they have had to be replaced with new ones.

In conclusion, I will say to all citizens of Pelham, let us do all that lays in our power to make our schools a success; let us visit them and encourage the teachers and scholars. Suffer not your interest to flag in the least degree, but rather let it be stimulated into ever increasing zeal, to advance the prosperity of our public schools.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Perfect attendance for two years :

MARTIN ERNEST JONES,	GRACE MABEL HALL,
RICHARD HENRY CURRIER,	

Perfect attendance for the year :

RUSSELL DAVID BUTLER,	ARTHUR H. PEABODY,
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Perfect attendance for two terms :

BESSIE F. HYDE,	LOTTIE ADELL JOHNSON,
FLORENCE AMANDA CUTTER,	ROY EDWIN JONES,
CLARA CORINNE CUTTER,	GEORGE HERBERT SEAVEY,
MARY SEMPLE HILLMAN,	ALICE MERRIAM KELLEY,
HARRIET ISABEL HASKELL,	FOREST A. RICHARDSON,
CLARA EVELYN JONES,	

Perfect attendance for one term :

DELIA BLANCHE ATWOOD,	VIRGINIA FRANCES CUTTER,
JOHN L. RAYMOND,	CHARLES AUGUSTUS JOHNSTON,
CARRIE E. RAYMOND,	BLANCHE HARRIET HILLMAN,
ROSWELL M. RAYMOND,	ALICE PAULINA MARSH,
ELMER G. RAYMOND,	FLORENCE EMELINE MARSH,
SERENA A. STICKNEY,	CARL RICHARD HILLMAN,
CHARLES B. STICKNEY,	NELLIE JANE ALEXANDER,
CARRIE FRANCIS HOBBS,	GERTRUDE SARAH ALEXANDER,

VERA W. HYDE,	ALBERT ADDISON TALLANT,
BERYL G. HYDE,	MARY ELIZABETH DOHERTY,.
ESTHER E. KEYES,	LULA GRACE WRIGHT.
MARY EDITH KEYES,	MARY GENEVERE QUIGLEY.
CARRIE LILLIAN BANNISTER,	ANNIE WINNIFRED QUIGLEY.
ELLA C. BURTON,	OLIVE FRANCES KELLEY,
PHILENA AGNES CLOYD,	BERTHA A. LEWIS.

STATISTICS.

The school year was 33 weeks, divided into three equal terms. School No. 1 was abbreviated one and one-half weeks in the Spring term on account of sickness. School No. 4, the Spring term was made 12 weeks to make up for one week lost in the previous year.

ATTENDANCE AND STUDIES.

SCHOOL NO. 1.—First term, 23 scholars; second, 23; third, 29; for the year, 29—8 boys and 21 girls. Average attendance, 19.

All attended to reading, spelling, penmanship, arithmetic and vocal music; 20 to geography, 14 to grammar, 13 to history and drawing, 9 to physiology, 5 to book-keeping and 4 to composition.

SCHOOL NO. 2.—First term, 31 scholars; second, 31; third, 28; for the year, 31—16 boys and 15 girls. Average attendance, 25.

All attended to reading, spelling, penmanship, arithmetic, drawing and vocal music; 27 to geography. 22 to grammar, 21 to history, 6 to physiology, 6 to book-keeping, and 7 to algebra.

SCHOOL No. 3.—First term, 20 scholars; second, 21; third, 23; for the year, 23—8 boys and 15 girls. Average attendance, 14.

All attended to reading, spelling, penmanship, arithmetic, drawing and vocal music; 18 to geography, 16 to grammar, 9 to history, 21 to physiology, 2 to book-keeping, 5 to algebra, and 16 to composition.

SCHOOL No. 4.—First term, 18 scholars; second, 15; third, 13; for the year, 18—9 boys and 9 girls. Average attendance, 12.

All attended to reading, spelling, penmanship, arithmetic, drawing and vocal music; 9 to geography, 7 to grammar, 7 to history, 4 to physiology, and 7 to composition.

SCHOOL No. 5.—First term, 15 scholars; second, 14; third, 16; for the year, 16—9 boys and 7 girls. Average attendance, 12.

All attended to reading, spelling, penmanship, arithmetic and drawing, 13 to geography, 13 to grammar, 6 to history, 1 to algebra, and 13 to composition.

The amount expended for teachers and miscellaneous expenses, \$1767.45. The amount for school supplies, \$145.75. Number of scholars attending school during the year, 117—50 boys and 67 girls. Expense per scholar for teaching and miscellaneous expenses, \$13.91; for school supply per scholar, \$1.24.

GEORGE S. BUTLER,

In Behalf of the Board of Education.

EXPENSES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

As rendered by Chairman of the same March 1. 1900.

No. 1 SCHOOL.

Paid Mary Edna Buswell, spring term, $8\frac{1}{2}$ weeks at \$8..	\$68 00
Emogene Burrille, fall term, 11 weeks at 8..	88 00
Emogene Burrille, winter term, 11 weeks at 8..	88 00
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	244 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Augustus Berry, for 2 brooms and 1 drinking cup.....	\$ 0 60
Augustus Berry, for repairing organ.....	1 00
Geo. S. Butler, for 3 cords of hard wood, cut and put in shed.....	16 00
Geo. S. Butler, for 2 cords of pine wood, cut and put in shed.....	7 75
Geo. S. Butler. for thermometer and snow shovel.....	42
cleaning house.....	1 00
building fires for the year.....	6 75
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	33 52
Total expense No. 1 school.....	<hr/>
	277 52

No. 2 SCHOOL.

Paid Alice T. Gray, spring term, 11 weeks at \$8.....	\$88 00
Alice T. Gray, fall term, 11 weeks at 8.....	88 00
Alice T. Gray, winter term, 11 weeks at 8.....	88 00
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	264 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Augustus Berry, for 2 brooms.....	\$0 60	
Geo. S. Butler, for 3 cords of hard wood, cut and put in shed.....	16 00	
Geo. S. Butler, for 2 cords of pine wood, cut and put in shed.....	7 75	
Geo. S. Butler, for 2 brooms.....	80	
Geo. S. Butler, for incidental repairs and new flag rope.....	2 00	
cleaning house.....	1 00	
building fires for the year.....	5 90	
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		34 05
Total expense No. 2 school.....		298 05

No. 3 SCHOOL.

Paid Ethel Mae Chase, spring term, 11 weeks at \$8...	\$88 00
Ethel Mae Chase, fall term, 11 weeks at 8...	88 00
Ethel Mae Chase, winter term, 11 weeks at 8...	88 00
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	264 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Augustus Berry, for 2 brooms and water pail.....	\$0 85	
Geo. S. Butler, for 2 cords of pine wood, cut and put in shed.....	7 75	
Geo. S. Butler, for 3 cords of hard wood, cut and put in shed.....	16 00	
cleaning house, spring and fall.....	2 00	
building fires for the year.....	7 30	
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		33 90
Total expenses No. 3 school.....		297 90

No. 4 SCHOOL.

Paid E. Frances Woodman, spring term, 12 weeks at \$8,	\$96 00
E. Frances Woodman, fall term, 11 weeks at 8,	88 00
E. Frances Woodman, winter term, 11 weeks at 8,	88 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Gage Fox, for new stove.....	\$13 00	
Willis Hobbs, for 3 cords hard wood.....	12 00	
Willis Hobbs, for 1 cord pine wood.....	3 00	
Geo. S. Butler, for 2 brooms, dust pan and brush.....	1 30	
Gage Fox, for cutting $4\frac{1}{2}$ cords of wood and putting in shed.....	2 60	
Gage Fox, for $\frac{1}{2}$ cord pine wood and putting in shed.....	1 78	
cleaning house.....	1 00	
building fires for the year.....	6 40	
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Total expense No. 4 school.....		<hr/> 313 08

No. 5 SCHOOL.

Paid Julia A. Bixby, spring term, 11 weeks at \$8.....	\$88 00
Julia A. Bixby, fall term, 11 weeks at 8.....	88 00
Julia A. Bixby, winter term, 11 weeks at 8.....	88 00
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MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Augustus Berry, for incidental repairs.....	\$0 37	
Geo. S. Butler, for 2 cords hard wood, cut and put in shed.....	10 50	
Geo. S. Butler, for 2 cords and 2 feet pine wood, cut and put in shed.....	8 50	
Geo. S. Butler, for incidental repairs and new flag rope.....	2 00	
building fires for the year.....	7 05	
		<hr/> 28 42
Total expenses No. 5 school.....		<hr/> 292 42

No. 6 SCHOOL.

Expense carrying school children to school No. 2.

Paid John F. Johnston, for carrying school children to school No. 2.....\$100 00

Total expense No. 6 school..... \$100 00

REPAIRS ON SCHOOLHOUSE No. 2.

Paid Geo. S. Butler, for 6 M. shingles at \$3.50 per M... \$21 00
 teaming same from Lowell..... 1 50
 nails for shingling and staging..... 1 50
 labor shingling and putting up staging..... 10 00
 teaming stage and use of lumber..... 1 50
 cash paid for cleaning up yard and packing
 shingles in shed..... 75
 cash paid J. N. Colman, for lumber for saddle
 boards..... 1 50
 cash paid for labor of blacksmith on blinds.... 1 00
 for 15 squares of glass, putty, and setting same 2 23

REPAIRS ON No. 5.

Paid Geo. S. Butler, for glass, putty, springs and patch-
 ing roof..... 1 75

Total expenses for repairs on school houses..... 42 73

BOOK ACCOUNT.

Paid J. L. Hammett & Co., for stationery and supplies, \$11 40
 Babb & Co., for school supplies and Webster's dic-
 tionary..... 50 19
 T. H. Lawler, stationery, pencils and crayons.... 11 34
 T. H. Castor, for encyclopedias..... 12 00
 University Publishing Co., for Choice Literature.. 1 24
 Prang & Co., for drawing material..... 96
 F. M. Woodbury, for ink and mucilage..... 2 35
 Ginn & Co., for U. S. histories..... 14 43

Amount carried forward..... \$103 91

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$103 91
Paid American Book Co., for geographies	10 82
A. Donnelly, for wire globes.....	1 50
Werner & Co., for readers.....	1 00
Thompson, Brown & Co., for arithmetics and book-keeping books.....	5 77
Silver, Burdette & Co., for books.....	5 00
Geo. F. King, for stationery	4 50
A. L. Kittredge, for drawing material.....	1 50
American Express Co.....	2 75
D. C. Heath & Co., for grammars.....	9 00
Total "Book Account".....	145 75

RECAPITULATION.

Paid teachers, No. 1.	\$244 00	
miscellaneous expenses.....	33 52	
	<hr/>	\$277 52
Paid teachers, No. 2.....	264 00	
miscellaneous expenses.....	34 05	
	<hr/>	298 05
Paid teachers, No. 3.....	264 00	
miscellaneous expenses.....	33 90	
	<hr/>	297 90
Paid teachers, No. 4.....	272 00	
miscellaneous expenses.....	41 08	
	<hr/>	313 08
Paid teachers, No. 5....	264 00	
miscellaneous expenses.....	28 42	
	<hr/>	292 42
Paid No. 6, carrying children to No. 2.....	100 00	
book and supply accounts for all schools.....	145 75	
repairs on school houses.....	42 73	
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Total expended for the year ending March 1, 1900		1,767 45

GEORGE S. BUTLER,

For School Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Of the Town School District for the year ending March 1, 1900.

The Treasurer charges himself as follows;

DR.

To cash in treasury March 1, 1899.....	\$ 192 74
received of selectmen, balance of town and town district appropriations 1898.....	470 00
received of selectmen, balance of town and town district appropriations 1899.....	821 80
received of selectmen literary fund 1898.....	88 20
received of selectmen dog fund 1898.....	190 00
received of Gage A. Fox cash from sale of apples in school house yard No. 4.....	2 00
	\$1,764 74

CR.

By sundry orders drawn by chairman of school board amounting to.....	1,621 70
Leaving a balance in the treasury March 1, 1900.....	\$143 04
There is now due from the town treasury, by an order from the selectmen, a part of the town appro- priation of 1899 amounting to.....	\$573 20

BOOK ACCOUNT.

DR.

To cash in treasury, March 1, 1890.....	\$78 80
received from selectmen, town district appro- priation, 1899.....	70 00
received proceeds from the sale of school sup- plies.....	1 93
Total received.....	\$150 73

CR.

By sundry orders drawn by chairman of school board	\$145 75
Leaving a balance in the treasury, March 1, 1900.....	\$4 98

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE S. BUTLER,

Treasurer Town School District.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the School Board of the Town of Pelham for the year ending March 1, 1900, find the Chairman of the School Board has issued orders to the amount of \$1,621.70, and we find the Treasurer of the School Board has received \$1,764.74, has paid orders mentioned leaving a balance in the treasury of \$143.00.

Treasurer has received on Book Account \$150.73 and has paid orders amounting to \$145.75, leaving a balance in the treasury of \$4.98.

GEO. H. CURRIER,
FRANK M. WOODBURY,
CHARLES W. HOBBS,

Auditors.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
PELHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.
TRUSTEES' REPORT.

In making their annual report the library trustees feel that it needs must be a brief one for the year, although a successful one, has been marked by no events of special moment in the history of the library.

The number of books added by the trustees for the past year has fallen somewhat below the average, only 84 new books having been bought, this number being as many as we thought it prudent to purchase considering the amount of money in the treasury.

Many books of much literary value have been presented to the library for which we are very thankful.

We are indeed truly grateful for the manifest trust the people seem to have in our ability to select suitable books, for only two or three lists of books have been handed in during the past year. We should be better pleased if the people showed more interest in this direction, but enough has already been said on this subject in our past reports and I suppose if others are satisfied we shouldn't find fault.

The choice of books for a public library is rather an important matter. First, because it *does* make a difference what kind of literature is furnished a public to read. Second, because the manifestly prevailing taste of said public must in a measure be satisfied, and third, because of the small number of books we are limited to and the very large number to be selected from, many of them being less valuable than the paper upon which they are written. If any of the latter class should be found in our purchases it is due solely to an error of judgment not to wilful neglect, for we endeavor to get only the best.

We would gladly see the number of volumes in the library increase more rapidly, but for the present, I suppose we must content ourselves with a slow but steady growth and indeed I think the library has done very well considering the time it has been in existence, and we see no reason why this steady growth is not assured for the future.

We again express our thanks for the efficient services of the librarian and a hope that she will continue to serve the library for the ensuing year.

With sincere thanks to the friends of the library for their good offices and hoping that their number may increase, this report is respectfully submitted.

FRANK M. WOODBURY,

SHERMAN HOBBS,

GEORGE S. BUTLER,

Trustees of Free Public Library.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer respectfully submits the following report for the year ending March 1, 1900.

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March 1, 1899.	Amount of cash in treasury.	\$ 32 25
Feb., 1900.	Received town appropriation.....	100 00
" 24, 1900.	Received cash from librarian, fines....	5 66
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	Total receipts.....	\$137 91

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Cash paid DeWolfe, Fiske & Co. for books....	\$80 74
Librarian's salary.....	30 00
Courier Publishing Co.....	2 30
S. Hobbs, express to Boston.....	2 00
Express, paper, ink, mucilage, etc....	1 34
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	\$116 38
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Leaving amount of cash in treasury March 1, 1900	\$ 21 53

FRANK M. WOODBURY,

Treasurer of Library Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Trustees of the Pelham Free Public Library :

The following report is respectfully submitted :

The library now contains 1659 volumes. 116 have been added during the past year, 32 of these being gifts.

Circulation of books, 2529.

Largest number taken out in one month, April, 1899.....	312
Smallest number in one month, August.....	166
Average number in one month.....	210
Amount received in fines...	\$5 66

12 cards have been issued since March 1, 1899.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. HOBBS,
Librarian.



